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Thespians, with Rubber Stilletos, Would Train for Real War, Says Actor

The martial spirit of preparedness has invaded the ranks of the theatrical profession. The Hamlets in their doublets and hose, who stride before the footights with swords a dangling, the villains who stab their victims with rubber stilettos, and the men of the chorus who carry tin-pointed spears, all wish to be trained as real soldiers. At least this appears to be the inference to be drawn from a letter which Secretary of War Baker has received from Hal Pierson. Pierson spent all last week in Washington. During the day he absorbed the atgnosphere of preparedness. Of night he cayorted before the footlights of a local lights with swords a-dangling, the villains who stab their victims with rubber stilettos, and the men of the chorus who carry the pointed speare, all wish to be trained as real soldiers. At least this ap-

nes Capture Wrigling Salamanders as a Sunday Pastime Majority leaders of the House of Representatives, whose plans for speeding up legislation have been to no purpose, have come to the conclusion that legislation by "gag rule" must be undertaken if the mass of legislation proposed by the administration is to be passed within a reasonable time. Dainty Dames Capture Wrigling

rrid worms and fearsome mice may wise, tle some women, but the popular dain. oution that they inspire squeals in all

redion that they inspire squeals in all women was shattered yesterday when a few of the fair sex, braving the terrors of a scientific expedition, considered capturing salamanders, frogs and crawfish as a mere Sunday pastime. If ejacuiations were forthcoming, they were not inspired by panic, but by "what a beaut!"—this in reference to a crawfing "oraw-fish" whose long-armed claws wiggled. The squirming salamander and slippery frog were ensnared by dainty fingers and examined with the cold eye of science. Turtles, snapping and other-The women were in a party of scientists

Orchestra Will Resume Tri-Weekly

Programs in Open-Air Next

Sunday. The Seldiers' Home String Orchestra gave its final concert of the season last night in the auditorium of the home un-der the leadership of John S. M. Zimmer-

mann, nine selections, including a vocal

solo, composing the program.

The control shown by the band's leader was noteworthy. The program from beginning to end was excellent, and al-

though the band begins its tri-weekly concerts on April 17, the evening will not soon be forgotten.

The program was as follows: March.

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George P. Day, treasurer of Yale University, will deliver the principal ad-

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The program was as follows: March, "Thunderins Cannons (Fucik); overture, "William Tell" (Roffini: vooal solo, by Mrs. Josephine N. Barnhill; grand selection, "Thannhauser" (Wagner); characteristic, "Swanee River" (Middleton); rag oddity, "Oh, You Lovable Child" (Van Alstyne); waltz, "A Summer Night" sore throat and influenza, it may take "Star-Spansled Banner." longer.
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More Men Needed in Mexico or Forces There Must Use Railways,

VILLA FAR IN ADVANCE

Carranza Bulletin Makes Veiled As sertion He Is Ready to Deal with Bandit Alone.

In view of the serious situation arising from Villa's continued flight, and the gradual lengthening of the army's line of communication, Gen. Pershins has asked Gen. Funston for further instrucasked Gen. Funston for further instruc-tions, army officers heard yesterday.
The facts as told in unofficial advices are that Gen. Pershing's force has been reduced by the necessity of maintaining a guard over a 400-mile line of communi-cations, and his movements have been so hampered by inability to use the Mexican railroads that he is in a quandary.
Gen. Pershing is understood to have asked that more troops be sent to re-enforce his columns, or that he should be given permission to use the railroads

enforce his columns, or that he should be given permission to use the railroads to facilitate the pursuit of Villa.

Villa, in the opinion of army officers, if so far in the interior, and his forces have so increased, that it cannot be said the handits have been dispersed.

On the contrary, there is evidence that he is moving forward to a junction with Gen. Reyes, with the utimate intention of joining Zapata.

It was indicated by one of the high officers last night that here is official news from the border that Gen. Pershing has learned there is a force of 600 Villa's army, so that the chieftain has a large force between this own army and the pursuing Americans.

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A significant statement given out by the Mexican Embassy last night was interpreted as an indication that Carranza is preparing to assert his ability to deal with Villa. This bulletin said:

"Eliseo Arredondo, ambassador-designate of the de facto government of Mexico, is today in receipt of a telegram from Mexico City advising him that of

from Mexico City advising him that of-ficial notice has been given by his gov-ernment that no further contracts will be made with foreign firms for arms and ammunition in view of the fact that the recently established national works are

HOUSE DEMOCRATS TO DEVISE "GAG" RULES

The President has also laid down an

RELEASE OF IMPORTS

New York Importers Ask State Department's Aid in Negotiations

with Britain. Importers of New York have appealed to the State Department to send an un-official trade ambassador to London to

negotiate with the officials of the foreign office for the release of American-owned merchandise valued at approximately \$100,000,000 which is now detained at Rot-terdam or at the factories in Germany and Austria. R. C. Mitchell, who repre-sents more than 100 importers, announced last night that he has been assured by Counselor Polk, of the State Department, that a representative probably would be sent to London in the near future to present to the foreign office matters in which the importers are interested. Additional time will be asked for by the importers in which to present applica-tions for the release of merchandise purchased prior to March 1, 1915, and a de-termined effort will be made to obtain a concession for the safe transit of merchandise contracted for between March 1, 1915, and March 15, 1915, the date of the promulgation of the order in council.

It is understood that Dr. Charles A. Holder, the foreign trade adviser, who has been representing the State Department in the unofficial negotiations at the British Embassy, will be selected by Sec retary Lansing to carry on the unoffician

To Give Concert for Blind. The following concert program is to be presented for the blind at the Library of presented for the blind at the Library of Congress tomorrow evening at 8:15 o'clock in Pavilion 7: "Love Song" (Fiegier), violin obligato; "A Song of the Woods" (Draper), "At Parting" (Rogers), "Nora" (Pigott), Miss Emima Cohen; "Mazurka" (Mlynarski), "Air for G String" (Bach), "The Bee" (Schubert), Samuel Wardell; "Die Nachtigall" (Alabieff), "To a Messenger" (La Forge), "A May Merning" (Densa), "Sing Smile, Sm bleff), "To a Messenger" (La Forge), "A May Morning" (Densa), "Sing, Smile, Slumber" (Gounod) (violin obligato), Miss

Pays Bill Due 53 Years Ago.

Fairmont, W. Va., April 9.—Payment of a bill due Jerry Hutchinson, who has George P. Day, Treasurer of Unibeen dead fifty-three years, has been received here from a man in Morgan-town. The Yale Alumni Association of Washington will hold a smoker this evening incon, who conducted a general store, at 8:30 o'clock at the University Club. Mrs. E. W. Arnett and C. F. Hutchingeorge P. Day, treasurer of Yale Unison are also surviving children. The

Thre Chers! Savd! What? 31 Leters; Bord Is Hapy

New York, April 3.—The Simplified Spelling Bord, the gentiemen who abhord dipthongs and save leters more carefully than a miser hords his gold, met at Columbia University last week. Nearly thirty members of the bord and its Advisory Council wer present and nobody els was admited; he mite have smugled in some vowls and consonants.

However, a program was published to inform the outside world of what went on at the meeting. A carping critic sed on reading the program:

"These simplified spelers are not consistent. Why do they not begin at home and simplify the speling of their own names? Here on the program is Mr. H.

H. Paine, who should knock his "I out, Why does Mr. Gans Dunn need two n's taged to his name? Why has not De peared, but they never will be mist.

TO BE STUDENTS

Classes Being Filled by Social Leaders.

Mesdames Dewey, Scott and Barnett Captors Flee When Typhus Breaks Made Honorary Officers-Mrs. Lansing Heads Reception Committee.

Mrs. George Dewey, Mrs. Hugh L. Scott and Mrs. George Barnett have been elected honorary commandants of the National Service School to be held in May at Chevy Chase. Miss Elizabeth Ellicott Poe, general secretary of the Woman's Section of the Navy League, was elected commandant in charge.

The 200 resident students for the first course of fifteen days, beginning May 1, has been completed. There is still room in the first course for day students, and the committee requests that all women desiring to enroll in the day classes and all who wish to enroll in the second ourse for resident students register a the headquarters, 741 Munsey Building,

Partial List of Students.

Among the resident students in the first course are Mrs. James M. Thomson, daughter of Speaker and Mrs. Champ Clark: Miss Callie Hoke Smith, daugh-ter of Senator and Mrs. Hoke Smith; Mrs. Lars Anderson, Miss Elizabeth Harding, daughter of the Federal Re-serve Commissioner; Miss Constance Wickersham, daughter of the former At-Majority Leaders Find All Efforts to Speed Up Administration Legislative Program Useless.

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Majority leaders of the House of Representatives, whose plans for speeding up legislation have been to no purpose, have come to the conclusion that legislation by "gag rule" must be undertaken if the mass of legislation proposed by the administration is to be passeff within a reasonable time.

The Rules Committee will meet probably tomorrow to devise a system by which special rules will be brought in to put through bills which will lead to extended debate. An effort will be made torney General; Miss Natalie Sumne to put through bills which will lead to extended debate. An effort will be made to secure an agreement with the minority as each measure is presented. If this cannot be obtained the parliamentary spurs will be applied, and a lively fight against "gag rules" may follow.

The House still must pass twelve appropriation bills, among them such important measures as the naval appropriation bill, the largest fortifications printing bill ever reported, the agricultural, diplomatic and consular, and sundry civil bills.

Miss Louise F. King, Miss Ethel Leupp, Miss Camilla Lippincott, the Misses Frances Misses Frances More. Misses Frances Moore, Misses Frances Mo G. Waterman and Miss Helen O. Wallach The day students for the first course include Mrs. Gibson Fahnestock, Mrs. Willard H. Brownson, Miss Julia Brice, Mrs. Denny Brereton, Mrs. H. R. Bige. Clark, Miss Sophie Pearce Casey, Mrs.

Robert H. Campbell, Miss Leslie Cameron, Mrs. John Dwight, Miss Virginia thrison, Livingston Hunt, Miss Ursula Harrison,

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ander Sharp, sr., Mrs. Spencer Wood, and Miss Julia Whiting. Classes Will Open at 9:30.

A special reception committee, to be headed by Mrs. Robert Lansing, wife of the Secretary of State, composed of wives the Secretary of State, composed of wives of Cabinet members and army and navy officers and officers of the Woman's Section of the Navy League, will welcome the guests at the opening exercises on May I, to which President and Mrs. Wilson, Vice President and Mrs. Marshall, Speaker and Mrs. Clark, Cabinet officers and their families and other distinguished persons will be invited.

After the opening exercises, the routin of the school will begin. The classes for both resident and day pupils will begin at 9:30 and last until 12:30 o'clock. After a dinner period, the classes will resume et 1:30 and run until 3:30, when lecture will be given daily in the assembly tent on the general topics, "National Defense," "Good Citizenship," "Food Conservation," "American History" and "The Americanization of the Foreign Born." These lectures will be open to the general public and will last until 5 The clubs were organized by Maj. F. H. Phillips, jr., secretary of the National Rev.

EVIL LIVES AFTER HIM; SENDS TWO TO COURT

for Finding Fowl He Brought

Babylon, N. Y., April 9.—Although William Donley is dead, the evil that he did lives after him. When Donley he did lives after him. When Donley went on the duck-shooting expedition that resulted in his arrest and subse-quent insanity, in which he shot up the town and killed himself, he succeeded in wounding two ducks that flew beyond his reach and were lost.

Elijah Raynor found one of the ducks Elijah Raynor found one of the ducks and picked it up, James Kelly found another one and appropriated it. This morning the two men were served with summonses and taken before Justice Lounds, at Huntington, many miles away. Raynor was fined \$25 and Kelly \$10. As neither man had the money, it was necessary to appeal to Supervisor Joseph Sheide, of Babylon. He guaranteed payment and the men were released.

George P. Day, treasurer of Yale University, will deliver the principal address.

Mr. Day's subject will be "Preparedness and the Part Being Played in National Defense by the Yale Battery." He will be one of the speakers at the national convention of the Navy League in Washington this week. Dr. Henry S. Graves is president of the local Eli graduates' organization

Both are also surviving children. The Joseph Sheide, of Babylon. He guaranteed hand the men were released.

Cigarettes Destroy Mind.

Detroit, April 9.—One hundred cigarettes a day were too much for Frank for 135,000 pounds of copper was placed with American brokers on behalf of the cigarette smoking in a certificate filed in allied nations in Europe.

National Service School Report on Conditions in German Prison Camp Discloses Suffering.

MISS POE COMMANDANT NO MEDICAL ATTENTION

Out-Vermin Covers Dead and Dying, Report Says.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, April 9.—The foreign office issued today a comprehensive report of the government committee on the treatment of British prisoners of war at the

German prison camp at Wittenberg dur-ing the typhus epidemic last year.

The report make eighteen typewritten pages and is signed by Justice Younger, chairman of the committee. It is based upon information collected from repaopen information collected from repa-triated prisoners of war, including Maj. Priestly and Capts. Vidal and Lauder, all officers in the Royal Army Medical

It discloses a story of terrible suffering and privation under the most appalling conditions. After describing the location of the camp, which occupies an area of about ten and a half acres in which some 16,000 of 17,000 prisoners are confined, including British. French, Belgium and Russians, the report states that "overcrowding was most serious." Typhus appeared in December, 1914.

Germans Flee from Camp.

"Thereupon," continues the report the German staff, military and medical, "the German staff, military and medical, precipitately left the camp, staying away until August, 1915," During that period communications between prisoners and guards was made by guards or officers shouting instructions from the outside wire entanglements of the camp. The report says:

"All supplies for the men were pushed into the camp over chutes, while feed for

into the camp over chutes, while food for the hospital and medical officers passed in on a trolley so as to avoid all contact between the prisoners and the outside world. No medical attention during the whole time was provided by the Ger-man staff."

Medical arrangements at Wittenberg were under the charge of Dr. Aschen-

each and his German assistants all o whom fled at the outbreak of the epi-demic, leaving a number of Russian and French doctors, but no British. In the middle of February, 1915, six British fficers, including Maj. Priestly and Capts. Vidal and Lauder and Maj. Fry and Capts. Sutcliffe and Field, were sent o Wittenberg from Halle, where they had been detained since the previous No

What greated them on their arrival a the camp is best told by the report: Two Captains Die.

They visited the different compound and were received in a pathetic silence.
The rooms were unlighted, the men aim-lessly marching up and down, some lying on the floor, probably sickening of

The camp conditions were too much for the medical officers. Two of them, Maj. Fry and Capt. Sutcliffe, soon sick-ened and died of typhus. "Maj. Priestly saw delirious men wav-

"Maj. Priestly saw delirious men waving, their arms brown to the elbow with
faecal matter. The patients were alive
with vermin. In the half light he attempted to brush what he took to be an
accumulation of dust from the folds of
patients' clothes and discovered it to be
a moving mass of lice.

"Capt. Vidal says that the conditions
were thoroughly realized by the Captain
were thoroughly realized by the conditions."
We call, therefore, upon all our fellow members from the suffrage States

were thoroughly realized by the German authorities without any effeort being made by them to bring about an imauthorities

38 RIFLE CLUBS TO **BEGIN OUTDOOR WORK**

4,800 Members Now Practice Marksmanship Under Direction of U. S. Army Men.

Outdoor rifle practice for the thirty-eight rifle clubs in the District, organ-

The clubs were organized by Maj. F. H. Phillips, jr., secretary of the National Rifle Association. The rifles and ammunition are issued to the association by he War Department. The members are employed by the gov

ernment and in private business. During the winter months marksmanship training was given by the association in vari-Donley Killed Ducks, Others Are Fined ous indoor ranges about the city, with

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SUFFRAGE CRUSADERS LEAVE FOR THE WEST

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the crowd, and long cheers for the Woman Voters' League, for Miss Alice Paul, the executive head of the Congres-sional Union, and for Miss Lucy Burns, whose tireless work has made this trip possible

The private car carrying the delegation was banked with flowers and equipped with every facility for the comfert of the envoys. Embroidery kits, balls of yarn. enitting needles and books galore sho wasted.

friends sat down to luncheon at the Cam-eron House, the national headquarters of the union. There the enveys told of the the union. There the envoys told of the work they expect to do in the West and how the suffrage amendment can become a law only by the unification of all the voting women and their male compatricts into a power to place the men in office who will give all the women in the United States the voting right.

Democrate Women's Targets. Every speech breathed the ire of the women at the Democratic party because it has failed to allow them to vote. A good majority of the envoys are Demo-cratic women, but they frankly stated that such a thing as political opposition

should not stand in the way of their securing the ballot.

Mrs. Richard Wainwright, wife of Admiral Wainwright, was the official host-ess and introduced Mrs. J. A. M. Hop-kins, of Morristown, N. J., as the toast-mistress. The diners adopted this resolution as expressing their unanim

"The envoys of the Congressional Union for Women Suffrage, representing 3 un-enfranchised States, in conference assemmediate passage of the national suffrage amendment. Only by the insistent de-mand of women voters can its passage be secured. The fact that one-fifth of the electoral vote and ene-third of the vote necessary to elect the next Presi-

low members from the suffrage States to assemble with us in Chicago on June 6, 7 and 8, to launch a women's party which will work independently of all existing organizations to secure the immediate passage of the Susan B. Anthon) amendment."

The resolution was introduced by Mrs

Alden Potter, of St. Paul

Will "Keep Hammering Away." Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch, daughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who worked for years with Miss Anthony for the suffrage amendment, told the audience "I will use my efforts in the West as a voter to defeat the party that has gone back on the principles of Thomas Jeffer-son. And we will keep hammering at the party at the Capital until we got the vote. And to Democrats I will say that they must stand by the principles of their party or they cannot get my vote or the votes of thousands of other wom-en in Kansas."

Mrs. W. D. Ascough, of Connecticut, asserted that "the Democratic party, with a passion for liberty, soon will learn that there is another political organiza tion in this country with a similar pas

Mrs. Florence Bayard Hilles, of Dela-ware, said: "Our suffrage bill for an amendment has been called 'the cockrobin' in Congress. Members there have oeen crowing about the fact that the cock-robin' is dead. But the politicians will soon awaken to a realization that it is the Democratic rooster, and not the 'eock-robin' which has passed away."
In addition to Miss Alice Paul and Miss Lucy Burns the following were on the train: Mrs. Dorothy Mead, Miss Edith Goode, and Mrs. Jane Goode, of Ohio; Mrs. Robert Baker and Miss Winnifred, Mailen, of the District; Miss Julia Huribut and Miss Agnes Campbell, of New Jersey; Miss Ella Riegel and Miss Caroline Katzenstein, of Pennsylvania; Mrs. John Rogers, Miss Helen Todd, and Miss Anna Constable, of New York; Miss Anne Martin, of Neof New York; Miss Anne Martin, of Nevada; Mrs. Townsend Scott. of Maryland; Miss Katherine Morey, Mrs. Agnes H. Morey, and Mrs. Gertrude B. Newell, of Massachusetts; Mrs. A. R. Colvin, of Minnesota; Mrs. Nelson Whittemore, of Michigan, and Mrs. Percy Read, of Virginia.

Flowers for the envoys and members of the Conservational Union Members.

of the Congressional Union were dis-tributed at the station by several flower girls, among whom were Misses Eliza-beth Smith, Joy Young, Norma Johnson, Thurston Dale, Rachel Young, Helene Nelson, and Miss Pepper.

TAVENNER HAS BILL TO PENSION EMPLOYES

Presents Measure Providing for Retirement of Civil Service Clorks at 65.

Limiting annuities or allowances payable to a pensioner or his dependents to a maximum of \$600 a year, Representa-tive Clyde H. Tavenner, of Illinois, has presented a civil service retirement bill which was prepared in conjunction with the Joint Civil Service Retirement Committee, and is supported by a large ber of civil service employes.

As drawn, the bill provides that em-ployes who have served the government for a period of not less than fifteen years may retire at the age of 65 years on an annuity ranging, according to length of service, from 20 per cent to 35 per cent of their average annual salary from the government for the ten years preceding the date of retirement.

At 60 years of age, after fifteen years of service, an employe may request re-tirement; or, at this age, irrespective of service, an employe may be retired by the head of a department, if the good of the service demands it. Unless fifteen years of service has been rendered, how

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